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Applicants:

M.P. Boutillette et al.

Attorney Docket No.: BSME120587

Application No.: 10/675,223

Group Art Unit: 3736

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Title:

SIDE LOADING WIRE TORQUING DEVICE

TRANSMITTAL OF MISSING PARTS OF PATENT APPLICATION/ REQUEST FOR RECORDATION OF ASSIGNMENT/ PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101

October 13, 2004

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith are the following: A.

1. An executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney with Designation of X Patent Practitioners.

2. An Assignment of the invention to SCIMED Life Systems, Inc.. A Recordation X Form Cover Sheet prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.31 is attached to the Assignment, along with a separate check for the recordation fee. Please record this Assignment in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.11.

X 3. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts.

Information Disclosure Statement, X 4. The following additional documents: Replacement Drawings and Transmittal.

COMPUTATION OF FEE

	Number Filed		Number Extra		Rate		
Basic Fee							790
Total Claims	19 - 20	=	0	X	18	=	0
Independent Claims	5 - 3	=	2	X	88	=	176
Multiple Dependent Claim				+			
Surcharge				+	130		130
Extension of Time				+	980		980
TOTAL							\$2076

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B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully request that the period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated May 18, 2004, set to expire on July 18, 2004, be extended by 3 months, to expire on October 18, 2004. The enclosed check includes the 3-month extension fee of \$980.00.

C. Fees Enclosed

Enclosed is our Check No. 158685 in the amount of \$2,076.00 to cover the requisite fees.

D. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTENSEN O'CONNOR JOHNSON KINDNESSPLLC

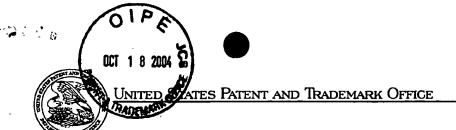
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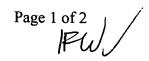
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
 Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - The drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwriting, interlineations, folds, and copy marks. See Figure(s) 4, 6, 7.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

• Additional claim fees of \$172 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$1072 for a Large Entity

- \$770 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$172
 - \$172 for 2 independent claims over 3.

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ATTENTION: OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON/DRAWING REVIEW BRANCH

The formal drawings for the above-identified application are transmitted herewith. The Official Draftsperson is asked to review the drawings and approve the drawings for entry into the file.

If there are any questions concerning the drawings, the Official Draftsperson is asked to call applicant's attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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